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SECURE MODES

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

Applicants agree that the Examiner has accurately stated one or more reasons for allowance of the claims. However, the claims may include other patentable aspects that were not identified by the Examiner. This response is submitted to avoid the possibility of any unnecessary limitation on the scope of the claims which might result from the stated reason for allowance. It is being submitted concurrently with the issue fee payment.

Respectfully submitted,

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